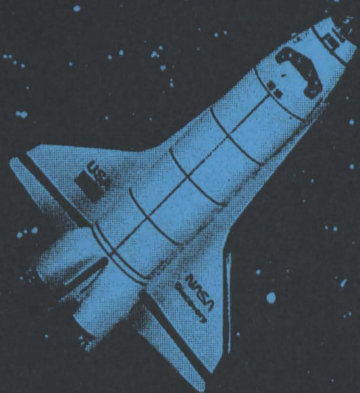


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Guest Editorial by Barry Greenwood

Editor of *Just Cause* the journal of the
Citizens Against UFO Secrecy (CAUS)

Welcome to the fiftieth issue of *Just Cause*, which happens to fall on the 50th year of the modern UFO era. Being a small publication as it is, it was not expected to go this far when it was begun back in 1984. Many of us expected that as the century drew to a close, much of what is mysterious about UFOs would have been settled by now. Some mysteries have been solved but many others remain. As the public face of UFOlogy becomes yet more bizarre there are still a sea of details waiting to be explored which make up the serious side of its history. "Serious side?" some would say as they scan the recent news. Yes, it still exists, buried under the headlines decrying "UFO Kooks" and "Saucer Wackos" and beneath lurid television treatments. Much in the sea of details can become murkier over time, which makes it all the more compelling for anyone choosing to do research into UFOs to keep a clear head and a thick skin and not allow fantasy to spring from reality.

Details! We have accumulated a half-century of details. If the UFO controversy has not yet been solved with all of this, then what good are those details? Is it all just a vast assemblage of endless cubic feet of paper, of interest only to social historians? What does it all prove?

The fact is that truths are hidden in the mass, as well as being partially obscured by the incompleteness of the details gathered. The truth in this case requires a lot of hard work and expense to discern because the fifty year history of UFOs is awash with false prophets pretending to know the truth and dragging hapless souls along with them on a sorry quest into the world of make-believe. Reality may not be as exciting to some as Hollywood portrays but it allows you to think for yourselves instead of letting others think for you.

There is plenty of information out there detailing the fiftieth anniversary of UFOs so I don't plan any commemorative retrospectives. This publication does retrospectives on UFO information anyway most of the time, in the hope that some mistakes are repaired. But what would really be beneficial would be to see the second fifty years of UFO research get more serious than the first fifty. It would be a shame if the pioneers who worked so hard to make UFO research credible (Hynek, Ruppelt, Keyhoe; etc.) became victimized by second generation blunderers who bound from one extreme to the other like so many squirrels in a field looking for their hidden nuts.

The time to fix things is now.



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ON THE UFO TRAIL

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A book on pilots and UFO's has just been published, authored by Dr. Willy Smith of the Unicat Project. It is entitled *ON PILOTS AND UFOs*.

Most of the cases analyzed in this book refer to interaction of pilots and unidentified flying objects, and all but one are taken from the Blue Book project MICROFILM. Some of the incidents have never been published, and the collection provides a good example of how the UFO phenomenon was handled by the United States Air Force.

The official files of the Spanish Air Force are the source for the additional incident, which illustrates that the U.S. Air Force is not alone in its futile attempts to dismiss the UFO phenomenon as irrelevant.

After expressing his scepticism because of the prevalence of hoaxes and frauds, many times sponsored by ufologists, which today rivet the attention of TV audiences, has made him very cautious regarding the 'genuineness' of present day cases.

He then begins to take apart the explanations of sceptics who try to debunk genuine cases from project Blue Book. Willy Smith has been in possession of the microfilm for many years. He says the files show him how the initial reports were sent to the ATIC (Air Technical

Intelligence Centre), where the process of disinformation was initiated. Documents were ordered to be removed and they are no longer in the files but, fortunately in many other cases, the letters providing the instructions are still there. Complete dossiers are missing. All we find now are CRYPTIC statements -FILE MISSING-!

*"those who
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one drink too
many"*

As an example I have selected the Capt. Killian incident over Pennsylvania, because it is one of the better known incidents among ufologists and I was in Tennessee investigating a case at the same time.

The Killian Case not only received official attention, but was also extensively discussed by both serious ufologist Hall, 1964; Good in 1987 and the debunker

Menzel in 1963.

The encounter occurred on the night of February 24, 1959, when an American Airlines flight from Newark, New Jersey to Detroit, Michigan reported three lights over Pennsylvania at 8.20 pm for 40 minutes. The lights were also seen from at least two other flights further to the south, as well as by the tower operators in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

The first debunking explanation was that it was a fuelling operation. Before Capt. Killian was silenced, he provided a lot of information proving it was not a refuelling exercise as they

On The UFO Trail

were not at the authorised altitude at which these operations took place.

The case made headlines and threw the Air Force into a frenzy with several accusations including *"those who report flying saucers have had one drink too many"*! However, a scientific and more detailed re-examination of the files revealed that the Air Force was more eager to produce an excuse rather than what actually happened. Willy Smith gives many reasons in his book which proved this encounter was not a fuelling operation.

As a result of this case, a group of Airline pilots held a meeting in Dayton, Ohio, in protest. The spokesman for the pilots stated:

"we report cases such as these and when we land, we are interviewed for hours. We are tired and want to get home to our families. We are threatened not to make statements and told that the thing that paced our aircraft for fifteen minutes was a bolt of lightning". He said *"nuts to this big brother attitude, who needs it"*.

Another said he would not report any if they were flying wing tip formation. The Capt. Killian encounter occurred during the time of other reports including a case I was checking in Tennessee.

A motorist and his wife were driving toward Nashville when the wife noticed a bright speeding light travelling from south to north in fifteen seconds. When they looked back, another similar one was hovering to their left about two miles ahead, then a third identical light sped north, following the same path as the first. The one that was hovering

instantaneously followed the other two, speeding north.

A few days later, I visited a radar operator at the nearby Joelton radar station and told him of the couples report. He replied that the man and his wife were telling the truth because the Joelton radar station and the radar at Sewart Air Force Base blacked out as the objects flew about half way between the Station and Base.

Some six months later, I met up with a pilot who knew of the incident and said the sky was full of interceptors that same night, trying to determine what was going on.

The book is available at book stores in the U.S., but can be purchased for US \$17.00 including postage and handling from:

**Dr. Willy Smith,
The UNICAT Project,
8011 S.W. 189th Street,
Miami, Florida, 33157.
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threatened not
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UFO REPORTS INVOLVING VEHICLE INTERFERENCE AND HUMAN PHYSIOLOGICAL EFFECTS

**Examples taken from: UFO REPORTS
INVOLVING VEHICLE INTERFERENCE**

**By: Mark Rodeghier
CUFOS**

October 20, 1954: Turquenstein, France

While driving his automobile in a wooded region, the single witness noticed a luminous shape resting on the road ahead. He slowed, but when he was within 60 feet, he felt paralyzed. His hands were frozen to the steering wheel. His car motor also went dead, but as the car coasted to a stop, he noticed an increasing sensation of heat. The UFO quickly rose and left to the northeast; the sensation of heat vanished, the witness could move, and the engine was restarted.

March 30, 1955: Tucson, Arizona

Andy Florio sighted a "disc machine" at least 100 feet in diameter. It made the sound of "electrical humming" and had bluish-green lights on its top, and amber lights from openings on the rim. Florio stopped his car when the radio failed, the lights dimmed, and the car slowed involuntarily to 12-15 mph. The UFO swayed back and forth while hovering and shot a beam of white light at the witness, burning his elbow and bubbling the paint on the car. Florio also felt heat and a tingling sensation. Eventually the UFO departed, and when the car was checked, it was found to have a defective battery, dead radio, and only three spark plugs still firing.

November 2, 1957: Levelland, Texas

Two men were driving four miles west of Levelland on Route 116 when they saw a flash of light in a field. An object then rose up and passed over their truck. Their lights failed and the motor as it came near. The witnesses got out of the truck and watched it pass overhead. It was "torpedo-shaped," about 200 feet long, giving off a blue-yellow flame and white smoke. The witnesses heard a sound like thunder and felt heat. The object moved away to the east and their headlights came on. They then drove away.

November 4, 1957: Orogrande, New Mexico

Ten miles south of Orogrande, James Stokes' car

began to malfunction. The radio faded out, then the engine stopped. There were nine other cars stalled at this spot also. The occupants of the cars were watching an egg-shaped object approach from the northeast, pass low over the cars (within 1500 to 3000 feet), move to the northwest, then come back within a few minutes and to make another pass. Stokes estimated it to be 500 feet in length. He also reported "heat" and "pressure" when the UFO passed overhead. Later that day he noticed his skin was reddened as if sunburned.

October 26, 1958: Loch Raven Dam, Maryland

Two young men observed an egg-shaped object hovering above Bridge No. 1 over the reservoir. It was 100 feet long, 125 feet in altitude, and glowing a dim white. Their car went dead 75 to 80 feet from the bridge, or about 200 to 300 feet from the UFO. After leaving the car and watching for another 45 seconds, they saw the UFO flash brilliantly white, shoot straight up, and disappear from view in 5 to 10 seconds. There was a loud noise as the object left, as well as an increased sensation of heat. The witnesses later noticed that their skin had been reddened on the side facing the object.

April 1, 1966: Tangier, Oklahoma

A 34-year old man saw a green UFO flying nearby from a southerly direction. The object was emitting a shrieking noise. The witness felt increased heat as it passed nearby. His car engine quit operating as the UFO passed by.

August 27, 1967: Texas Creek, Colorado

Three cars simultaneously experienced complete failure of their headlights and engines. All passengers saw an oval object on the ground by the road. One driver was approaching the object when suddenly there was a flash of light and he became unconscious. The object slowly rose into the sky. The witness struck by the light remained dazed for some time afterwards.

June 7, 1973: Sousas, Brazil

Three people in a car saw a "fireball" which came toward them and stopped 50 meters away. It was 15 feet in diameter and gave off a yellow light. The engine of the car failed when it was nearby and the witnesses felt "prickly." They also had intense headaches later. The object eventually left and the car could be restarted.

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UFO SURVEY INFORMATION

From: Washington, D.C. TIMES, Feb. 16, 1997

According to a Gallup Poll on UFOs, conducted September 3-6, 1996, UFO interest continues to rise. The poll results include:

- 87 percent of Americans have read or heard about UFOs.
- 12 percent have seen something they thought was a UFO.
- 45 percent think UFOs have visited Earth in some form.
- 48 percent believe UFOs are "something real," 31 percent think they are just peoples imagination.
- 72 percent believe there is life of some form on other planets in the universe.
- 38 percent think there are people somewhat like ourselves living on other planets in the universe.
- 71 percent believe the U.S. government knows more about UFOs than it is telling us.

A November 1996 Newsweek poll reported 48 percent of Americans believe UFOs are real, and 29 percent believe we've made contact with aliens. Another 48 percent think there's a government conspiracy to cover it all up.

RAF RADAR TRACKS UFO

From: THE PEOPLE, London, England, 11/10/96
Aliens from outer space may be visiting Britain, the Government has sensationally admitted. In an incredible letter obtained by THE PEOPLE, Defense Minister Earl Frederick Howe reveals that all RAF station commanders are under orders to report UFO sightings.

And he adds: "So far as the existence of extraterrestrial life forms is concerned we remain open-minded." The letter was sent to Don Valley Labour MP Martin Redmond, who is trying to break the MoD's veil of secrecy over flying saucers. He is concerned about a UFO with a red and green rotating light that appeared over East Anglia last month. It was tracked by radar at RAF Neatishead and RAF Northwood for several hours as it hovered in the sky before flying 50 miles down the coast. It was spotted by the crews of a tanker and civilian plane, while a video - now in the MoD's hands - was taken by police.

"It's incredible no aircraft were scrambled when a target was picked up so close to the coast," Mr. Redmond told Defense Secretary Michael Portillo. "This raises questions on the way we police the UK

Air Defense Region."

Earl Howe replied that the RAF does not respond unless there is evidence UK air space has been "compromised." He added, "To date no sighting has provided such evidence."

"We do not investigate further or provide an explanation for what might have been observed."

Mr. Redmond is accusing the government of covering up information on UFOs and says if there is no defense threat, there is no excuse for secrecy either.

"The answers I've been given lead me to think there is something more to this," added the MP. "The only thing I know for sure is this whole issue is shrouded in secrecy."

Last week Defense Minister Nicholas Soames refused to reveal how many UFOs RAF pilots have spotted since 1966. He said the information would cost too much to obtain. But he added: "Unidentified contacts penetrating UK airspace are identified by all available means, including intervention."

HUM IS STILL BEING HEARD

From: Providence, R.I. JOURNAL-BULLETIN.

March 19, 1997.

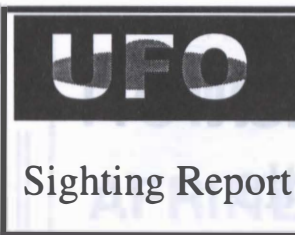
From Vermont: The group of people who report hearing a mysterious humming sound in Northeast Kingdom is growing steadily. Newark artist Claire van Vliet, who complained of the noise two weeks ago in a story in the Caledonian-Record newspaper, said she has been contacted by people who have heard humming noises elsewhere in the Northeast Kingdom and in the United States. And the humming noise itself has changed, according to van Vliet. When the story hit the national news, the humming stopped for a few days and then started up again with a slightly higher-pitched frequency. And it is steadier, she said. Van Vliet and other hearers are convinced the sound is of military origin. In fact, U.S. Navy "ELF" (extremely low frequency) stations in the Michigan peninsula and Wisconsin were scrutinized as the possible source in a New Mexico study of other mysterious humming noise. The study concluded the ELF could not be the source.

PENTAGON SPOKESMAN - UFOs

From: ARKANSAS DEMOCRAT-GAZETTE.

Little Rock, AR, April 2, 1997.

Prompted by questions about UFOs, Pentagon spokesman Kenneth Bacon said: "The U.S. Government substantiate that they exist."



Western Highway 18th February, 1992

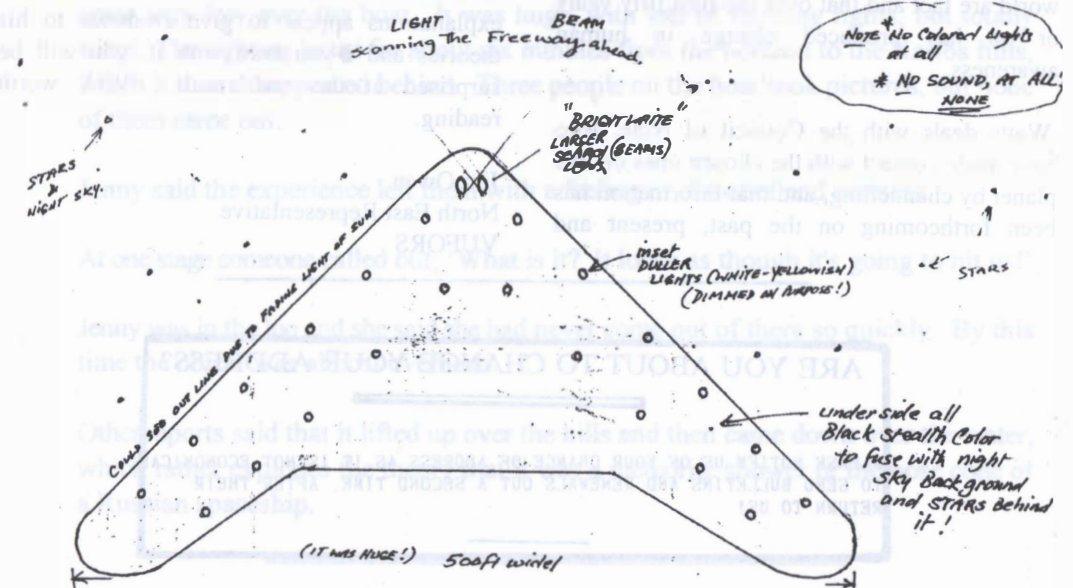
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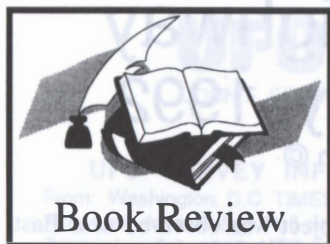
We have recently received a report of a sighting which occurred 18th-February, 1992 of a triangular object five times larger than a stealth bomber. It was reported by a retired Government Department Archives Researcher. The sighting occurred near Ballarat, over the Western highway. The time was 8:40 p.m. The colour appeared to be designed as night camouflage, black underneath with lights arranged to mimic stars above. As it flew directly overhead the wing spread was about 500 ft wide. The highway is about 300 ft. The impression of the observer was that it was "mapping"? Weather conditions were clear from a warm day. The observer said that he had a very uneasy feeling. He was afraid and numbed. He hesitated to report the sighting until recently.

On 15 June an object was observed near East Wallan at 8 p.m. it had several lights. As it flew alongside a car, the mobile phone cut out.

Several objects floating along with the wind and or breeze have been reported but not near the number since Judith Magee exposed the helium filled balloon equipped chemical sticks on ABC TV.

Two observers were on Assembly Drive, Tullamarine at about 8:30-9:00 p.m. on 3 April. this year, when they observed an egg shaped light pinkish from solid body about 10 star glow. It was followed by a second similar object at a speed too fast to estimate. Direction was northwest to southwest. Anyone in the area please contact us on (03) 9506 7080.





Book Review

Stimulating to say the least. From a quick glance through the book I realised that this may be heavy going in places. I was right. Watts has his independent style but still relies on other authors such as Good, Hopkins, Hynek and others,

Watts stated that this book was not intended to be a catalogue of UFO observations. Even though he does mention particular cases he intertwines them with his own style and beliefs. I found this to be refreshing and exciting reading. Watts delves into aspects involving Appliance of Science, Physics, both new and old along with propulsion systems from the past to the present and into the future. He explains the concepts of space, along with the powerful abilities of the extraterrestrial visitors. Watts is convinced that visits to our world are fact and that over the past fifty years or so has produced change in human awareness.

Watts deals with the Council of Nine, who have made contact with the chosen ones on this planet by channelling, and that information has been forthcoming on the past, present and

UFO Visitation

Alan Watts

future. Watts also believes, as do many others, that the Governments of the world seem to be unwilling or even afraid to confirm their knowledge on this phenomenon. His opinion is that as we move into the twenty-first century, that the messages that have been revealed seem to point to a direct contact.

He considers the future and in this publication does not produce doom and gloom in every move we make. He is more positive on the tangent that this planet is following. For once we have some incontestable conceptions along with the belief that if mankind can live in harmony we will move towards a better world.

I found this publication enlightening. Watts has attempted to produce something different even though he has relied on past cases and used these to enhance his book. The scientific explanations appear to give credence to his theories and if you bare with it, you will be surprised at the end result. Well worth reading.

Jim Owen
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SO, WHAT GIVES?

Sometimes I wonder where the Aliens stay?
Do they live on a planet, just like our Earth,
Do they eat the same food and dress the same way?
Do they owe any bills, and what are they worth?

Are they happy at times, just as we are?
Are they sad and quite crazy when all things go wrong?
Are they sometimes alcoholic and live in a bar,
Or perhaps, unlike us, they are morally strong?

But whatever I think, it does not explain
Why Aliens, as ever, a mystery remain.

Lake Kariba, 14th September, 1994.

Garry and Jenny were on a houseboat with a group of friends. They all saw an object come very low over the boat. It was huge, with lots of flashing lights, but totally silent. The sighting lasted for about six minutes from the horizon to the Kariba hills, which it then disappeared behind. Three people on the boat took pictures, but none of them came out.

Jenny said the experience left them with a feeling of disbelief and ~~certiness~~ *certiness*.

At one stage someone called out, 'What is it? It looks as though it's going to hit us!'

Jenny was in the loo and she said she had never come out of there so quickly. By this time the object was almost overhead.

Other reports said that it lifted up over the hills and then came down over the water, which rather explodes the theory that it was a meteorite shower or the nose cone of a Russian spaceship.

FLASHING LIGHTS
Harare, Zimbabwe

Case N°116

Sometime in March 1996, Justin Marabini, a racing cyclist, and his friend Nick Lynch, a Safari guide, saw a bright orange light about 15-20 kms away, as they stood in the garden of a house built on top of a hill in Glen Lorne, an outlying suburb of Harare. From their vantage point, the two reckoned that the 'light was about 250 metres off the ground, and in a direct line with Ruwa (site of Ariel School, where sightings by pupils made world news in 1994).

To their left, there was the glow of Mabvuku Township, which was clearly seen and had nothing to do with the orange light they were watching, which was in a dark part of the horizon. The time was about 20:00 hours and the night sky was clear. Their first sight of the glowing light lasted about one minute; the glow dipped to 50 metres in an instant, then it went out. Both witnesses thought it was a flare.

However, after about another minute, the light reappeared and moved, this time upwards; but once again, it disappeared after a minute. Thinking that the 'show' was over, the two went inside.

At about 20:45 hours, when they were back in the garden, they saw two small stationary lights, flashing irregularly. It seemed to the witnesses that the lights were some 500 metres apart. For about 10 minutes they watched. Every now and then, one of the lights moved up and down, while the other remained stationary.

As there seemed to be nothing new happening, the witnesses returned indoors, speculating on what they had seen. Both concluded that it could not be a star, nor the planet Venus. The flashing was definitely not autokinesis.

About 15 minutes later, they went out again to have another look. But this time, to their disappointment, there was no sign of anything untoward in the sky.

Justin said that three weeks earlier he had heard that someone had seen something resembling the Star of David in the sky, giving off rays, but he could not say who had seen this, nor when it had been seen.

TRIANGULAR UFO SURPRISES FISHERMEN
Sedgefield, South Africa
(Sent by Marie van Staden)

Case N°115

A UFO in the early morning sky above the village of Sedgefield, on 7th August, 1995, had a couple of residents experiencing some anxious moments. According to Dirk Jooste, he and his friend Fanie Kleyn were in a rowing boat at the time, catching fish on the lake.

'Suddenly we saw a triangular object in the sky, larger than a passenger aeroplane. There were three bright lights underneath, on the base, and smaller orange-red lights which extended to the highest point', Jooste said. According to him, the object appeared at 02:00 hours. 'It hung in the sky above us for two minutes, absolutely still. Then it came closer to us, made a turn, and in a fraction of a second it disappeared', he said. Fanie Kleyn drove to the river mouth to see if the object was still visible, but there was nothing there.

FLASHING LIGHTS:
Fort Rixon, Zimbabwe, Jan. 1995

Case N° 118

On the 3rd January, 1995, Mrs Connie Cloete of Hwange, was visiting her son's farm in the Greystone area near Fort Rixon in southern Matabeleland.

It was a very warm night, with clear skies overhead. There were four witnesses: Mrs Cloete's son Robert, her sister Cathy, a friend, Justine, and herself. They reached a section of the road which was on a rise, affording a panoramic view of the sky.

Cathy drew their attention to what looked like an aircraft, but they then noticed seven smaller objects moving away from the large one; all going in different directions and flashing on and off as they went ('almost like fireflies flashing').

The large object remained stationary but seemed now to have a flashing blue light, with a revolving red light on top. There was no sound. Because of the dark, shapes were not discernable, and only lights could be seen. It was also difficult to judge distances, but it was to the east of where they were.

The sighting took place at 20:50 hours and they watched as the smaller objects moved away, although the large light remained stationary. After a while, they went home.

UFO IN THE FIELDS OF AFRAM PLAINS GHANA, WEST AFRICA.

Case N°117

This report was originally received from CUFOS in October, 1991. asking if I could look into the matter on their behalf.

I immediately wrote to Thomas Agyekum of the School of Forestry in Ghana, asking several pertinent questions.(17th October, 1991)

When I didn't receive a reply, I wrote again on 9th December, 1991 and finally to a contact in Ghana on 22nd January, 1992. On 2nd September, 1992, Ion Wills, who is a roving reporter for FORTEAN TIMES of Great Britain, happened to be visiting Ghana and I wrote to him to see if he could contact Agyekum. But no luck. One cannot say I didn't try!

We give you the report in all good faith, but because of the circumstances, cannot state if it is the truth or not.

'I am a student in the School of Forestry, Jumyani, Ghana. A strange thing happened in our village at the Afram Plains in the Eastern Region, which led to my writing about the incident.

In early 1990 (February) a strange object resembling an aircraft was seen by me and my younger sister whilst planting maize in the field in one of the remote parts of the Eastern Regions.

Prior to the appearance of the object, I was explaining to my semi-illiterate sister man's achievement in going out to Space, and the deaths of the valiant astronauts of the Challenger Spacecraft.

Suddenly the object appeared in the sky, like a jet fighter trying to pick out a ground target. It came so close to the ground that we could see it clearly. It was silver coloured and too slender to be a manned craft. It was moving intelligently as though it was manned.

As we looked on, it swerved downhill and appeared to have landed but whilst we tried to get closer, it lifted to the sky again at the most fantastic speed I have ever seen or known and soon disappeared up, up into the sky.

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THE EARLY YEARS

(A selection of reports from "The Australian Flying Saucer Magazine" published by the Australian Flying Saucer Bureau in the early 1950's)

Carrabin, Western Australia - March 8, 1951

A publican and four of his customers saw an object "glittering like a diamond and about the size of a 1000 gallon tank" spinning and hovering in the one place in the sky. Mr. H. King, the publican, said it was above the horizon and a good height from the ground.

The object hovered for several minutes and then shot upwards at terrific speed until it vanished. Mr. King said that he was sure it was not a balloon.

San Francisco, California - January 31, 1953

A "fiery object" believed to be a flying saucer was chased for 25 miles over Santa Ana in southern California by a Marine jet fighter. Four other saucers were seen in the same area soon afterwards by another two pilots and a photographer attached to Northrop Aviation Company. They said the ones they saw were flying in formation at an estimated height of about 20,000 feet.

Tokyo, Japan - March 11, 1953

Repeated and confirmed reports of sightings by radar observers and pilots were said to be causing US Air Force officers "concern and mystification".

The objects seen in northern Japan include "strange lights, flying discs and rotating clusters of red, white and green lights", which were "flying, dipping and circling at supersonic speed". Col. Curtis Low, Commander of the Northern Division of the Japan Air Defence Corps, confirmed, without releasing details, that on several occasions US airmen have vainly pursued the "unaccountable and unidentified objects", and that the clusters of lights had been observed also by ground personnel and radar.

One Tokyo message said that whilst US Air Force officers indicated that "other phenomena have been seen" official statements regarding the sightings have suddenly ceased.

Washington, D.C. - April 25, 1953

An official US Air Force publication, "Air Training", reported that more than 1000 flying saucer reports were received by the Air Intelligence Centre at Dayton, Ohio during 1952.

The magazine said that 20 per cent of the unidentified aerial objects reported had been classified as "unknown". All Air Force personnel were asked to help solve the saucer mystery.

These archives were made available to VUFORS by Mr Murray Bott of New Zealand.

DEBUNKERS FAIL TWICE TO DISCREDIT U.F.O. CASE.

By George Simpson

The UFO encounter and subsequent Alien Abduction of Betty and Barney Hill has been mentioned in two separate television productions. In both cases, the entire encounter was "EXPLAINED" away as being the result of the Hills' having seen an episode of a science fiction program on television.

The first of these two productions had a N.A.S.A. spokesman, James Oberg who stated that the Hills had their encounter just after the first episode of "Outer Limits" was broadcast. A photograph from the episode 'The Bellerro Shield' which featured an Alien, was shown to illustrate the point. It was also mentioned that the alien had 'wrap around eyes' just like the ones reported by the Hills under hypnotic regression. The similarity between the beings described by the Hills and the alien on T.V. was slight at best, and the overall story lines were quite divergent.

More importantly, at the time of the Hills' encounter, the episode, in fact, the entire series of the Outer Limits, was not even in its pre production stages!!!! The Bellerro Shield was filmed from 6th to 16th December 1963 and wasn't screened until 10th Feb. 1964!

Considering that the Hills had their encounter on 19th Sept. 1961, I fail to see how they could have been influenced by a mere T.V. show that hadn't been made yet. And even if it had, and their encounter had been caused by watching it they wouldn't have been the only people so affected. Hospitals would have been full of people suffering from this new television induced Psychosis, it would have been a major social phenomenon. In actual fact, the Bellerro Shield is one of the lesser episodes of the series.

This crazy attempt to misinform the public was again presented as fact in the A.B.C. presented series 'Future Fantastic', which was part of the 'Quantum' series hosted by Gillian Anderson, a.k.a. Scully from the X-Files. In the episode named 'Alien', another boffin presented the Alien creature from the Bellerro Shield, with actor John Hoyt made up to look like an alien. This time the explanation had been slightly refined. Now this Outer Limits episode was supposed to have been broadcast just before Barney Hill was to undergo his first regression therapy treatment under Dr. Benjamin Simon. This first regression was done on 14th Dec. 1963.

Barney Hill would have to be more psychic than Uri Geller to be able to use an episode of a T.V. show, while still being actually filmed and not yet completed, hundreds of miles away in another country, to present this while under an hypnotic trance in controlled conditions to treat a stress condition, based on an event which happened two years previously. The mind boggles. It's far more sensible to accept what the Hills story revealed than to even try to make sense of the "Explanation".

Continued

It now seems to be possible to work for N.A.S.A. even if you are completely devoid of intelligence!

In contrast, we now in the 1990's have the luxury of hindsight and can re-read 'The Interrupted Journey' and get the facts. In the light of today's Alien abduction cases etc. it is possible to see that such a solid case would be a problem for the misinformation specialists.

Stanton Friedman warned us that the debunkers don't bother with facts, they have already made up their minds. This is a good example.

Recommended reading.....The Interrupted Journey....by John G. Fuller. Published by Dell, N.Y. N.Y.

NEWS FROM AFRICA

A FLYING HOUSE Chipinge, Zimbabwe



Case N° 121

Moses Muryanduki, of Darlington, Mutare, wrote to tell us that he had several UFO sightings, in the sense that he had seen unidentified lights moving across the skies. Most of the reports appear to be satellites, meteors or even the sun reflecting on a flock of birds. However, as it is some time ago, it would be difficult to assess now. But he did make an interesting report on a sighting which he himself had not witnessed.

'It was in 1982 and I was in the Chipinge area called South Downs, or as the local people call it, Muryasa. I was attending the Shakavanhu Primary School at that time. One afternoon after school, I was walking home with friends, when I heard stories of a 'flying house'. People even stated that it had windows. As far as eye witnesses are concerned, whoever lived there during that time had either heard about it or seen it. However, I could not make anything of it; people simply dismissed it as a miracle.'

[If any of our readers in the South Downs area have knowledge of this event, would they please contact UFO AFRINEWS. We will refund any postage involved.- Ed.]

CHRONICLE & ECHO, Northampton, England -- July 13, 1996

UFOs and blackout spark investigation

THE VILLAGE of Hackleton is at the centre of X-files-style investigations following reports of UFO sightings.

Mysterious objects have been spotted in the night sky, a crop circle has been found where one reported UFO was seen landing and there was a power cut on the evening of one of the sightings.

Edward Plenderleith, 11, was with a group of friends when he saw what he said was a UFO landing in a field near his home.

His childminder, Debbie Cheeseman, said: "Edward told me he had seen a UFO land on Monday night. I told him he had been watching too much X-files but he insisted it was true and took me to where it landed and there is a crop circle there.

"And on Thursday night there was a power cut in the village and Edward said he saw a UFO flying outside his window at about midnight.

"I am sceptical but Edward is a very sensible boy and he wouldn't make this up." Electricity supply to the village was cut off for more than three hours on Thursday night.

A spokesman from West Midlands UFO Investigations in Birmingham said the group had received calls from people in the Hackleton area about

'There was a power cut and Edward said he saw a UFO'

— Debbie Cheeseman

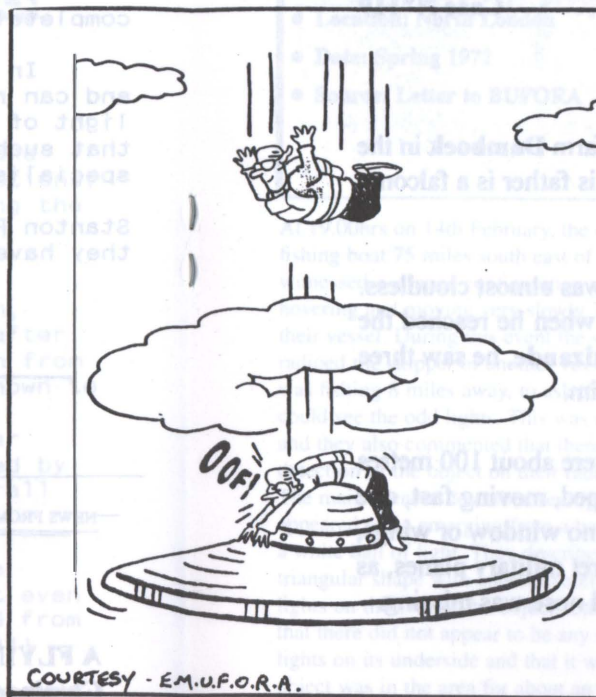
UFO sightings. She said power cuts were common when UFOs were present and added: "We are planning to visit the village to take a look at what has been happening."

East Midlands Electricity said: "The cause was a broken glass insulator on a transformer. The problem is most likely more terrestrial than UFO."

But a possible explanation for a UFO sighting reported in Thursday's *Chron* under the headline Technician Spots X-files Case, has been given by a Northampton man.

Eric Drummond, of Salcey Street, said: "The observation may have been of a satellite lit up by sunlight. If the man had waited 20 to 30 minutes it would have come round again."

PRESS CUTTINGS OF INTEREST



WISBECH STANDARD, Cambs., England - Oct. 11, 1996

Mystery lights in night sky

THE source of "strange" bright lights spotted in the sky off the South Lincolnshire coast at the weekend remains a mystery.

Police, the RAF and shipping reported the appearance of two large, unexplained objects above the Wash in the early hours of Saturday.

Baffled personnel at RAF Neatishead, near Norwich, spent hours tracking the UFOs, described by witnesses as large, about a mile up in the sky, and with blue, white, red and green flashing lights.

The Ministry of Defence said it was taking the sightings seriously and "all possibilities" would be covered.

Spokesman Nigel Sergeant said: "We

are trying to prove that it does not represent any sort of security threat and that it was not an aggressive intrusion into our airspace.

"This is one of the bigger sightings recently and has caused quite a bit of interest."

Skegness police called the coastguards at 3.14am on Saturday after seeing a number of objects flashing in the sky, which were also spotted by colleagues at Boston.

Sightings, which continued until the objects disappeared off radar screens at about 11am on Saturday, later came from a tanker and a civilian aircraft, while two military radar stations verified "strange" traces.

Flight Lt Keith Sweatman, of RAF Neatishead, said: "We have not been able

to offer an explanation. The number of independent reports we have had suggest there is something to follow up. We will be investigating the matter thoroughly."

Witnesses heard no aircraft noise and military radar showed no aircraft, civil or military, in the area — apart from the civilian flight which reported "strange" lights.

Military officials said no airforce planes had been scrambled to investigate as the objects were not seen as a threat.

Coastguards put forward the theory that the lights might have been Venus rising in the morning sky.

But Ian Morison, a scientist at the radio astronomy observatory at Jodrell Bank, said this was unlikely as the planet would not have been visible after sunrise — or displayed such a range of colours.

UFO sighted

AN EARL Shilton man has reported the sighting of an unidentified flying object over Hinckley.

Trevor Radford from Bellevue Road in Earl Shilton saw the object travelling parallel with Station Road in Hinckley, approximately 300 ft up in the air.

The sighting occurred last Wednesday at 11.10am, as Mr Radford was leaving the dentist.

Mr Radford said that the object maintained an exact height and trajectory as it headed towards Burbage, and that it rocked slightly as it progressed in a perfectly straight line.

It was described as being of a square or oblong shape, with substantial depth to the body.

Mr Radford said "It definitely wasn't a bird and it definitely wasn't a meteor. It moved in a straight line at between 10 to 15 miles per hour, and never varied

in height, just oscillated slightly."

The report follows several sightings which were recorded by the Leicester UFO Research Society during May and June.

Eight separate sightings were reported over Hinckley, Barwell, Wolvey, Burbage and Enderby.

The chairman of the UFO Research Society, Colin Hill, said that these sightings formed "part of a pattern of aerial activity over the Leicestershire area that has been building up over the past couple of months."

Trevor Radford said of his experience "It was the middle of the morning, in the town centre, so someone must have seen something."

Anyone who may have seen something unusual in the skies should contact the Hinckley Herald on 01455 891965, or the UFO Research Society on 01455 614013.

HINCKLEY HERALD & JOURNAL, Leics., England - Sept. 4, 1996

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VISITOR, Southport, England - Sept. 27, 1996

Cover-up on UFOs — expert

A UFO expert says the truth about the mysterious craft that have been spotted in the skies over Southport is being covered up by the UK and USA governments.

At a packed meeting of the Lancashire UFO Society this week, Tim Matthews, chairman of the society, said UFO sightings have been reported in this country since 1947. Mr Matthews showed the audience leaked documents that he claims prove that the Governments on both sides of the Atlantic are involved in a major cover up.

By Graeme Goundry

One of the documents — which has recently been re-classified — came from the top secret Government department Air Staff 2A. It stated: "Our policy is to play down the subject of UFOs."

In the last six months sightings in the Southport area have included:

- Shocked motorists in Meols Cop Road seeing a huge black triangle, with a white light in each corner, hovering over a field.
 - A terrified couple driving along New Cut Lane saw the same triangle "moving too fast to be a plane."
 - An Ainsdale man came forward to say he had seen the craft while walking his dog.
 - Various sightings of the black triangular UFO have been reported over the Scarisbrick area.
 - In Birkdale a strange white object shaped like a jellyfish stunned a group of eight witnesses.
 - This week drivers in Ovington Road and Norwood Road contacted the Visitor to report seeing a giant green, egg-shaped UFO.
- Some experts have claimed that the triangular UFO, dubbed "Silent Vulcan" is a Stealth

bomber being developed at a secret British Aerospace "skunk works" hanger at Warton, but the company denies existence of the project.

Tim Matthews told the 200 enthusiasts at Monday night's meeting in Southport that, between 1989 and 1991, a wave of Silent Vulcan sightings took place in Belgium. The phenomenon was "brushed under the carpet" by the Belgian Government.

"The Government must know what's going on," said Tim Matthews. "I think that what we are seeing is a mixture of terrestrial and extra-terrestrial phenomena but I don't know why they are here. There is definitely nothing flying out of Warton, I've talked to people that work there and people in the know and what's at Warton is on a computer, it's not a real aircraft."

During the meeting Mr Matthews was given first-hand accounts of a staggering 54 local UFO sightings.

"This goes to show the level of interest in the subject. A lot of it is down to programmes like the X-Files. What can I say? I'm gobsmacked."

A Southport man at Monday's meeting told the Visitor: "Beyond doubt I'm a believer. There's obviously a Government cover-up going on. It's just like mad cow disease. We are dealing with an alien life form and I think it's based on this planet."

But Mr Gordon Leek, of Princes Street, who was at the meeting with his young son, was unimpressed by Tim Matthews' arguments: "I think it's all unconvincing, pseudo-scientific piffle."

SOUNDLESS JETS IN N.CAPE (South Africa)

Sent directly to us but translated and followed up by Marie van Staden.

Case N° 119

Paul Maritz, who sent in this report, lives with his father on the farm **Damhoek** in the district of Olifantshoek, near Uppington in the Northern Cape. His father is a falconer as well as a farmer.

During April/May of 1976, at approximately 10 a.m., the day was almost cloudless. Mr Maritz senior was travelling in a southerly direction and when he reached the border gate between his farm and a neighbour's farm called **Zuidzande**, he saw three objects moving from left to right, about 500 metres ahead of him.

His first impression was that they were wingless jets. They were about 100 metres above the ground, a dull brown in colour. They were cigar-shaped, moving fast, one behind the other, and going from west to east. Maritz could see no window or wings, and could hear no sound! His thought was that they were secret military planes, as they seemed to be the same length as a Mirage, but the pointed nose was missing.

Maritz watched as they disappeared in the distance.

Comments: To this day, Mr Maritz does not know what he saw. It is a pity he did not check at the time with the S.A. Air Force to see if there were any aircraft in the area. It would be too late now. We are sure he is honestly reporting what he saw, but one's perception is often marred by sun brightness, or not being aware of what military hardware is available.

We believe implicitly in some form of 'alien' visitation to our planet Earth, but it is also essential that one checks on possible alternatives at the time.



Figure 1 This is what Abrie Maritz saw (3 of)

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CASE FILE *UFO Times*

- Location: North London
- Date: Spring 1972
- Source: Letter to BUFORA

At 19.00hrs on 14th February, the crew of a fishing boat 75 miles south east of Eyemouth witnessed a strange configuration of lights hovering and moving very slowly 75 feet above their vessel. During this event the skipper radioed the skipper of another vessel, which was fishing 8 miles away, to ask if they too could see the odd lights. This was confirmed and they also commented that there was detection of the object on their radar system. The main witness described red lights, which appeared to be emerging from a background of a white ball of light. They described a black, triangular shape with approximately 15 red lights on the side of the object. Others observed that there did not appear to be any navigation lights on its underside and that it was silent. The object was in the area for about an hour and then vanished. Ten to fifteen minutes later two fighter jets were observed heading in the same direction from where the object had been last seen.

After extensive investigation the Coast guard confirmed that there had been a Nimrod exercising in the area very close to the position in which this sighting took place. This area is in close proximity to the low flying training system also. However, the fisherman felt that they were familiar with Nimrods and helicopters, and the object did not resemble either. In his conclusions George has stated that he believes the object witnessed by eight Eyemouth fishermen was a top secret military triangular flying craft carrying out manoeuvres in the low flying training area in the North Sea.

He feels this conclusion is reinforced by the article in *The Sunday Times* on 11th August, which states that many UFO sightings of a triangular shaped craft may have a simple explanation after all. A prototype model unveiled at the beginning of August which resembled a flying manta ray is the product of joint research by NASA and the US Air Force. Speculation is that a secret full-size version may already have been built and be responsible for countless UFO sightings. However, he still feels there are several unanswered questions, as to why it is flying in British airspace without navigation lights and would the craft be capable of hovering. I would like to thank George for an excellent report on this sighting.

FROM P12.

We went over to the place where it touched the ground and saw a big plus (+) marking on the ground in a very dark substance, much like powder. We did not touch it as we were afraid, the way the craft had behaved.

The next day when we went to the spot where it touched down, everything within about five metres radius had withered as if sprayed with insecticide and the black substance had disappeared (it had rained all night).

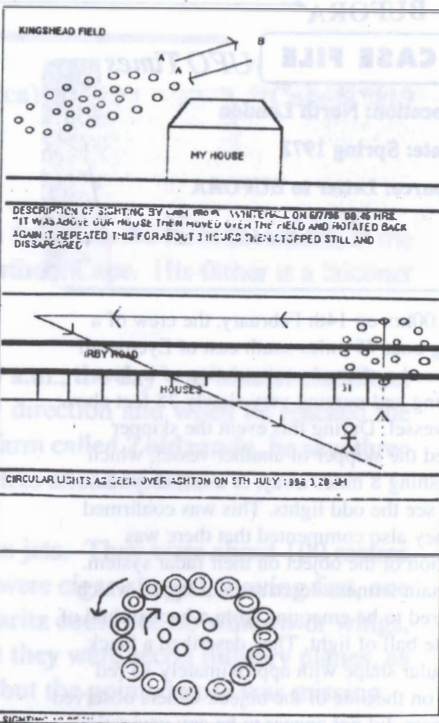
Since then, my sister has seen an object of a similar nature on two occasions and I have seen an object like a plane or a saucer in broad daylight at the same green field. It was very large, at least 20ft in diameter. It flew and hovered in the sky, making a hissing sound until it disappeared over the horizon.

CASE FILE

- Location: North Sea, 65 miles east of Eymouth, Berwickshire
- Date: 14th February 1996
- Inv. George Niedzwiedz (RIC)

JW and his fiancé were parked at the top of Alexandra Palace in North London at about 10pm. They were overlooking a large section of London, when suddenly they were aware of a large object in the sky, which appeared to be lit up. They describe the object as two-to-three miles high (difficult to judge), when several objects came out of the large object. These objects were all lit up and they disappeared in different directions. One of the objects traveled to a position opposite where JW and his fiancé were and it was then they saw an aircraft approaching, whereupon the light in the small object blinked out. When the aircraft had passed the position, the object lit up again and it appeared to follow behind the aircraft for a time. The other large object, together with the smaller objects, then lit up again. All the small objects seemed to return to the large object and then it took off at a tremendous speed, not quite vertically, but at a slight angle, until it disappeared from view. The large object remained stationary throughout these events. They did not report this to the police or even their families, and were very surprised that there was no mention of it in the newspapers during the following days. They would be most grateful if any other reports of similar sightings at this time could be forwarded to them via myself. (See drawing)

Chris chased up several companies who supply Skytracker lights, but they seemed unsure whether this system could be responsible for these sightings. However, he was then directed to a company Anark Lights in Slough, where he was informed that the lights observed by the witnesses were very possibly lights from a system known as a SPACE FLOWER or a STROBE FLOWER, which could make the lights appear to pulse. In his report on these sightings Chris comments that the movement of these lights could indicate a chain driven system. However he has not reached any definitive conclusions until he has traced the source of this show.



CASE FILE

- Location: Bristol Area
- Date: 5/6th July 1996
- Source: Chris Davies (SEARCH)

In mid July, Chris Davies received nine reports of circles of lights and pulsating lights seen around the Bristol area. They were described as rotating and frequently moved behind clouds in the sky. One caller described seeing about twenty lights in a circle surrounding an inner ring of about sixteen lights. He realised that these observations were highly indicative of a laser light display emanating from somewhere. However, after a great deal of research he could not find the source of the display, but with great determination he did discover that on the night in question the Welsh National Orchestra performed at an open air concert at Singleton Park Swansea. However he needs to contact the Orchestra in order to confirm the possibility that this may have been the source for the lights.

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Before documenting below some of the more unusual sighting reports, I would like to remark on a comment made by Patrick Moore on a Sunday morning television programme, where he was discussing the implications of the fossilized organism found in the meteorite which may have originated from Mars. When asked about people who believed in UFOs he likened them to 'people who believe in Father Christmas'. What an analogy! I believe it will take a great deal of credible investigation, research and results to persuade Patrick Moore and those like him that maybe there are after all extraordinary objects witnessed by ordinary people. "Flying saucer" has always been a most unfortunate term and of course has become synonymous with UFO. This idea needs to be radically changed in the minds of the scientific community and the general public themselves.

CASE FILE

- Location: A5, Between Holyhead and Anglesey
- Date: 5th July 1996
- Source: Margaret Fry, Wales Federation of Independent Ufologists

CASE FILE

- Location: Pretoria, South Africa
- Date: 28th August 1996, early morning
- Source: Marius Lubbe

It has been reported on SABC TV news that video footage has been captured of an unknown object early in the morning over Pretoria. This footage was taken by a police officer on duty and shows a disc shaped object which seems to be lightly pulsating. According to witnesses, who were with the police officer they claim that there were flashing lights and that it looked like a saucer. In a different area of the city, another witness said that the object traveled silently and in an undulating fashion. An interview with a police helicopter pilot said that he and four passengers in the helicopter had chased after the object and he was extremely shaken explaining that the object outran him with ease, and its undulating movements were unusual. I will give an update on this in the next issue of UFO Times. According to a colleague and a friend of a source in South Africa, Stealth was tested in this area for a while by the US Government, and the area around Pretoria seems to encompass many of the UFO sightings that have emerged. Therefore this may be of some relevance here, although unless a copy of the footage can be obtained this of course is sheer speculation.

Margaret has reported receiving eighteen sighting reports from the A5 area on 5th July after the Weekly News published an item relating to three holiday makers on the A5, who reported observing an object thirty feet in front of their car which they describe in the following way 'three concentric grey rings, moving jerkily, at the same time revolving anti-clockwise and pulsating like a jellyfish'. Within the eighteen reports she received, there are two claims of missing time incidents for the Isle of Anglesey.

If anyone has any further information on these sightings could they please contact Margaret Fry on (01745) 860537

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**Aircraft Missing, South
Dakota, Summer 1957**

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"I, Wallace Fowler on this 6th day of December, 1996, am sitting here with nothing to do and thinking of my past. At this moment my mind goes back to when I was in the U.S. Air Force stationed at Ellsworth A.F.B., Rapid City, South Dakota." Thus began the letter we received from a man who wished to document an event from his life that has left a seemingly unanswerable question which continues to haunt him.

On that long ago late spring day in 1957, Wallace Fowler was a twenty two year old Airman Second Class enlisted man who by the end of the summer would finish up his enlistment and return to his home. He was sitting on the front steps of his barracks in the still cool setting sun, the cold of the northern winter still lingering in the early evening air. It was between 6:30 and 7:00 p.m. A short time before he had lost the last of his money to his buddies in a craps game and he had turned down their offer to take him to town for some beer and further fun. The fact that he was broke had not affected his decision, because his friends would have subsidized the trip, alas with the

money he had just lost. Perhaps he just wanted to be alone.

"All of a sudden I seen this thing, hovering over my head." He had not seen it arrive; it just was suddenly there. It was saucer shaped and silver in color. On the top side of the saucer was a dome with what appeared to be portholes, behind which he could see shadows moving around. The larger lower part of the saucer was metallic in appearance, and it constantly changed colors. The object, about the size of a house he estimates, hovered there motionless.

"I said to myself, 'It can't be an airplane, because I've never seen an airplane stand still like this.' Furthermore, it was close enough for anyone to see that this was no airplane. I got up and stood there staring at this thing while asking myself what it was. I can't say that I experienced fear because this was such a beautiful sight, and I was too young to be scared. So by me feeling that I was so brave and tough, I never considered running. After this standoff for about

2 to 3 minutes, I remember saying these words [to myself]: 'You can come down here if you want mother—er. Then it will be me and you.' Now strange as it may sound or maybe [it was] a coincidence, but this thing took off as if it was reading my mind. It went straight up with unbelievable speed. Like it was out of sight in seconds. I did not hear any noise, nor did I see any exhaust."

After the object was out of sight, Wallace ran for the hangers and the base control tower. As he neared the hangers he saw a number of pilots running toward their planes. Obviously others had seen the object as well. When he entered the hanger he noticed the telephones all seemed to be ringing and there was a lot of activity as people ran to ready the aircraft for take off. Wallace went up into the control tower. When he arrived the telephones were ringing there as well, so he was ignored. He just stood by and watched.

After the airplanes took off, Wallace listened in as a controller talked to one of the pilots who had been scrambled. "I heard the

pilot say these words: 'This thing acts as if it is playing games with us. It sits and waits on us and when we get close it takes off and leaves us like we are standing still. Such speed.' So [the controller asked them if they could] get close enough to see what it was made of."

The pilot replied that it was ahead of them and seemed to be waiting for them again. The controller advised them to watch their altitude. The pilot soon replied that the object appeared to be metallic. "All of a sudden we heard a crash," says Wallace. The tower could no longer contact the pilot. Wallace does not know if other aircraft were with this pilot at the

time. Soon thereafter, he was asked to leave the tower. An officer told everyone before they left to not talk about what they had seen and heard. He was never contacted by anyone later regarding the incident. Later that evening, when his friends returned from town he learned that an object had been seen by people there as well.

Wallace was a parachute rigger and he spent a lot of his working hours around the pilots from the base. Not much was said regarding the incident, but he does remember one of the pilots saying that an aircraft which had pursued the object had turned up missing and the wreckage was never found.

Wallace now has cancer and emphysema. He realizes that his story may still be classified, but he doesn't want to go to his grave with this secret. "I can let it all hang out. Can't do me no harm now. My desire is for someone to find out what family lost a loved one in the year 1957 [at] Ellsworth Air Force Base, Rapid City, South Dakota. It would be interesting to hear what they told the family for the cause of death."

ZIGGY / By Tom Wilson



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Another report came from Mr Raymond Hamilton of Bestwood Park.
A report was passed onto EMUFORA by Mr David Lightfoot of Leicester.

On August 22nd 1995 at approximately 12.10pm Mr Lightfoot was about to start gardening at the rear of his home. Glancing upwards at the clear blue sky he noticed a silver coloured "dot" very high up in the sky.

The object was travelling at great speed in a North direction for about ten seconds, then to Mr Lightfoot's amazement the object became stationary for two to three seconds then shot off at a ninety degree angle heading Westward.

Mr Lightfoot reported that the object left no vapour trail and made no noise, he also stated that it couldn't be an aircraft due to its height, speed and sudden change of direction.

Another report came from Mr Raymond Hamilton of Bestwood Park.

On March 28th at around 2a.m Raymond Hamilton woke up and went to the kitchen to get a drink. On his way back to bed he went through the lounge and glanced out of the patio windows, his house is built on a hill and he has a good view of the local area. As Ray surveyed the street lights below he noticed a large orange coloured object hanging in the sky. The object was approximately a quarter of a mile away and above rooftop level. The light seemed to be over the playing field of Bestwood Park, and thought to be less than a hundred feet from the ground.

Ray woke his sleeping wife and together they both watched fascinated for about five minutes before his wife decided to go back to bed. Ray stayed at the window studying the object, which after a further five minutes sped away at great speed, moving off to the North West.

The object was described as an orange coloured light averaging the size of a

standard bungalow. The shape was roughly the standard saucer shape with a domed top. Both husband and wife noticed that inside the orange glow there appeared to be a row of lilac coloured lights. On the right side of the object the orange light seemed to intensify and glow to a brighter shade of yellow.

Ray is a professional man who enjoys gardening, he has never taken an interest in the UFO subject or read any books on ufology.

We have just received a report of a triangular craft seen in the Kirkby-in-Ashfield area by several witnesses. Full details will be in the next magazine.

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UFO EVIDENCE FROM SIX COUNTRIES

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As William I. McNeff's article in the February 1997, issue of C-COM proves, the UFO evidence is "out there" if we just look for it.

This editor has always contended that the answers to the UFO mystery lie within the vast amount of UFO data already accumulated over the past fifty or sixty years. Data compiled since that time is interesting and useful but essentially redundant.

Numerous UFO physical trace cases have been recorded and investigated but few have received the attention they deserve. These cases can be found scattered throughout the worldwide UFO data base. Many of them include a scientific analysis of the physical traces and/or artifacts left by UFOs.

The following eight cases originate from six countries and cover a period of four decades, from 1954 to 1989. They represent, of course, only the proverbial "tip" of an enormous and still-growing iceberg.

BRAZILIAN UFO DROPS "SILVER RAIN"

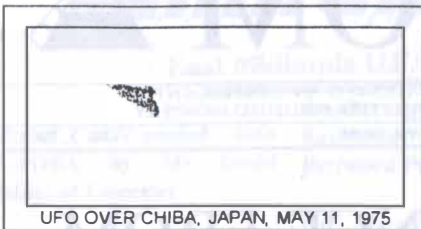
On December 12, 1954, a woman in Campinas, Brazil observed three disk-shaped UFOs, dull gray in color, emitting a strong

light as they flew over her house. One UFO started to wobble and lost altitude. The other UFOs followed it down to an altitude of about 300 feet where it was able to stabilize itself. A liquid substance was then seen to drop from the troubled UFO "like a silver rain." The witness ran over to the spot where the substance had fallen and found a bright glowing stain spread over the cement near her washing tank. The stain was extremely hot. The silvery material was found splattered over a large area, including roofs, streets, sidewalks, and even clothing left hanging outside on clotheslines. A sample of the substance was analyzed by Dr. Visvaldo Maffei, chief chemist of Young Laboratories, 584 Francisco Deodoro Street, Campinas, Brazil. Dr. Maffei stated that "the sample analyzed is a combination of chemically pure tin 88.91% and oxygen 11.09%."

JAPANESE ANALYZE "METAL FOIL" FROM UFO

Over Choshi City, Chiba Prefecture, Japan, on September 7, 1956, mysterious "metal foil" fell from the sky directly after a UFO had been sighted. The metal foil was 4 to 5 cm long, 1 mm wide, and 10 microns thick. All pieces

were the same size. An analysis done by the Industry Promotion Association in Toyko showed that *the metal foil was composed of aluminum, lead, silicon, iron and copper. The metal foil was not radar chaff.*²



UFO OVER CHIBA, JAPAN, MAY 11, 1975

UFO ARTIFACT FROM SWEDEN

In 1956, two carpenters, Stig Ekberg and Harry Sjöberg, were driving to work one evening in November when the engine of their car suddenly stopped, just as they spotted a large glowing UFO coming from the sky on their right. The UFO landed on the road about 200 feet ahead of them. It made no sound. They said it was about 50 feet in diameter and 15 feet in height. After about 8 to 10 minutes the UFO took off, lifting straight up for about 30 feet and then rapidly accelerated away. The UFO was glowing, casting light for about 300 feet around it.

After the UFO took off their car resumed normal operation and they stopped at the UFO landing site. They looked around with a flashlight and discovered a strange object in the exact spot where the UFO had landed. One of them picked it up and it was warm. The object was very heavy and they surmised it might be some kind of metal.

A 50-gram piece of the object was later sent to the National Inquirer as part of its UFO reward program and then to APRO (Aerial Phenomena Research Group--now defunct) for scientific analysis.

The analysis showed that the object was extremely dense on the order of 14.92 grams cc--more dense than a tungsten carbide tool bit. Spectrographic examination showed

that *it was primarily composed of tungsten carbide with a small quantity of cobalt.* Scanning Electron Microscope (SEM) photographs revealed a very fine crystal structure with individual crystals ranging in size from one to three microns (*1 micron = one-millionth of a meter*) in diameter.

It is interesting to note that tungsten carbide cutting edges are used for cutting various hard and super-dense materials because they can maintain an extremely hard edge at red-hot temperatures. Tungsten carbide itself can only be cut using a diamond wheel (saw) and can only be ground using diamond abrasives.

An attempt was made to melt a fragment of the object using an oxyacetylene welding torch but was unsuccessful (earthly tungsten carbide melts at a temperature of 5200° F).³

OHIO UFO FRAGMENTS ANALYZED

As Robert Richardson and Jerry Quay were driving around a bend in the road on July 13, 1967, near Maumee, Ohio, they saw a large bright blue-white UFO completely blocking the road in front of them. Richardson, the driver, braked and maneuvered to avoid hitting the UFO. Both men closed their eyes as they felt the jolt of a collision. They reported the accident to the police of Maumee, and then to the Ohio State Police who examined their car and investigated the scene of the accident. The hood of the car and the front bumper had been damaged.

Mr. Richardson picked up two fragments of metal at the UFO landing site. Scientific analysis showed that *one piece was primarily iron and the other a low grade of magnesium alloy.*⁴



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SIGHTINGS

HAY POINT LOADING FACILITY, 1992 OR 1993

This facility transfers coal from trains to ships. When ships are in port, work continues on a 24 hour basis. On Saturday morning at about 3 am our witness was working the tippler which dumps coal out of rail carriers by turning them over. A total of twelve men were at work around the facility, and they were in radio contact. He saw a large object about the size of a coal boat (about 400 meters long). It circled the facility going around the tower, and then continued out to sea to the East.

The object was cigar shaped, and partly obscured by a "cloud" which moved with it. As the object passed by, the equipment malfunctioned, and the train lost all compressed air. (When this happens, the brakes come on automatically and prevent it being moved about during the unloading. The train had to be recharged after the sighting before work could continue).

Near the middle of the object was a bubble like protrusion with lights outlining rectangular observation windows. The witness saw shadows standing in these windows, looking out at the facility. The object moved at a speed of about 80 knots (about 150 km/hr) and was about 300 meters away. A cobweb-like substance fell from the object, settling on windows and external surfaces. When touched, it became a watery liquid.

The object had no wings. At the rear was a "bank of jets" giving a honeycomb effect, which the witness took to be its propulsion system. He heard a dull hum as the object passed. As this was happening the radio went wild as everyone seemed to shout at once, and most of the personnel would have seen it. Our witness spoke to four others after the incident. There was a report about the incident on local radio on the next day.

STAFFORD 16.12.96, 7.30 pm

Witness saw a big bright light near the horizon to the SW, which seemed to be to the West of Mount Coot-tha, for about 20 minutes. It moved up and down, and for the last 5 minutes of the sighting it became a dull circle shrinking to a star size. During the brighter phase, streaks of light seemed to be coming off it. Before the sighting, the witness had watched a satellite pass over. Sunset was about 6.30 pm at that time.

TOWNSVILLE 21.12.96

A Psychologist observed one to two dozen white lights in the sky, moving in circles at an estimated distance of 100 to 200 meters. The lights were the size of a car headlight and fairly dim by comparison. She observed them for about an hour, during which time they moved overhead. Other witnesses made reports to the local police and radio.

ROCKHAMPTON about 28.12.96, 9.10 pm

A woman was travelling North along the Bruce Highway between Callope and Ambrose with her 5 year old daughter, and saw rainbow coloured lights in the sky. Two lights seemed to be following the moon, and a whole lot of lights followed a larger light.

SHAILER PARK 15.1.97, 8 pm

A man observed a light hovering to the North at an elevation of about 30 degrees for about 15 minutes. He also observed it with binoculars. It flashed red, green, yellow and white. The light seemed to be too big to be a star, and appeared as a number of lights in a vertical line. It seemed uncanny to the observer.

IPSWICH 15.1.97, 8.08 pm

A man observed a light flashing red, white and green colours at an angle of elevation of about 40 degrees, just East of North, for about 10 minutes. It remained stationary, and was brighter and bigger than the stars around it.

NOTE: Ipswich is about 30 km NW of Shailer Park. If both observers are assumed to be looking at the same object, then it was probably 100km or more away from them. The possibility of an unusual astronomical object will have to be checked out in the course of later investigation.

BROWNS PLAINS, 18.1.97, 1 am

A lady and her husband observed an orange light encircled by little red lights, with a red and blue light on top. They were looking due East at an elevation of about 60 degrees. The object was observed for about 15 minutes, and the encircling red lights were seen about 5 minutes after it was first seen. The object moved to the right (South) quickly, an apparent distance of about four hand spans at arm's length, and then quickly moved back to its starting point. They contacted Air Traffic Control, and were told there was no air traffic in their area. They have checked the same part of the sky at the same time since, and found no star which might have been misperceived by them. The object was still there when they went to bed.

GOODNA 23.1.97, 10 pm

A woman and daughter saw a triangular object low in the South Western sky. They saw a big red flashing light, smaller orange and white lights and the outline of a triangular shape. It moved to the NE, and as it passed closer to them, they heard a swishing noise which made them think of a stealth bomber. Its apparent size at closest approach was about 5 cm at arm's length, and its motion was slower than an aircraft.

GREENBANK 23.1.97, 10.45 pm

A lady was lying in bed watching TV when she saw a stationary bright light through her window. She went outside to get a closer look, and saw the light flash green, red, bright white and yellow. It remained in one spot, but seemed to move up and down slightly. She saw a triangular shape around the light. Her two sons and mother also came out to observe. She was looking to the NW at an angle of elevation of about 35 degrees. With reference to trees, she noted an otherwise imperceptible motion to the West. There was no sound; there were no clouds in the sky, and when she looked at the light and away, it was so bright that she noticed an imprint on her retina, as with bright lights. When she went outside, she felt a little frightened, and was pleased that the object did not come closer. She stated that the object was nothing like a plane, and was still there when she went inside at 11.30 pm.

NOTE: Goodna is about 20 km West and 10k North of Greenbank. Both witnesses observed a triangular shape, and since this shape has been extremely rare during the past several years, it is probable that the same object was observed on that night, at slightly different times, with the object in different locations.

SIGHTINGS

ALDERLEY, 12.2.97, 8.55 pm

A woman saw a light to the south at 8.55 pm and an elevation of 45 degrees. It was about five times the brightness of a star and seemed to be moving horizontally. As she watched, the light broke in two lights which separated at an angle of about 10 degrees. The single light moved an apparent distance of 40 cm at arm's length, and the two lights a further 5 cm before they disappeared. No trail was apparent, and the event had a duration of 1 to 2 seconds.

HOLLAND PARK, 9.2.97, 8.00 pm

A witness saw three unusual lights in the space of 5 minutes. The first was a light like a star which moved quickly towards the city (North). Then she saw a similar light which moved to the West, and the third moved South. Each light was first seen when approximately overhead. The first light stopped and then moved again, the second zig-zagged as it went, and each sighting lasted about 30 seconds. The colour of each light was white.

CLEVELAND, 10.2.97, 7 pm

Four observers watched what looked like a star moving slowly to the East, with no associated noise. Beneath the larger white light was a red light. It was seen for 5 minutes.

McGREGOR, 11.2.97, midnight

A bright pink/red light about the size of the moon suddenly "came on" at an angle of elevation of 45 degrees to the South. It was observed for about 5 minutes by two witnesses, and no associated noise was heard as it remained stationary in their view. They felt both scared and excited, and thought that it was nothing like a fireball.

BURPENGARY, 15.2.97, 7.30 pm

A witness saw a light to the North coming closer along a clockwise arc, and then move away again along the same path. This was repeated. For a period of half an hour, she also saw a number of rings of light that seemed to break up and disappear. There was some cloud in the sky, but the lights did not appear to be reflections off them.

PARKINSON, 15.2.97, 9.30 pm

Six witnesses saw a bright orange ball to the North, and moving South below the prevailing cloud cover. The ball had a constant brightness, and no associated noise was heard. The ball stopped and dropped vertically down, but disappeared before coming to ground.

BURPENGARY, 16.2.97, 7.30 pm

Four witnesses saw a circle of lights in the East with a larger light inside the circle. The assemblage seemed to be moving away, and was observed for about half an hour.

IPSWICH, 19.2.97, 9.30 pm

An anonymous witness reported a big orange light to the East at an elevation of 45 degrees, which seemed to be moving with reference to a nearby treeline. It was observed for about 5 minutes, and seemed to be brighter and bigger than a star.



In March, 1954, Stephen Darbishire, aged 13, was bird-watching with an eight-year-old friend, Adrian Myer, when suddenly above them they saw an object in the sky.

MITCHELTON, 2.3.97, 9.20 pm

Two witnesses were looking to the North, and saw an orange light speeding horizontally East to West. The light was the size of a star, and it seemed to disappear in clear sky below the clouds. The sighting lasted about 1 second.

GOLD COAST, 28.2.97

A woman was visiting relatives and it was evening. Two mobile phones were in use at the same time when something like the moon dropped from the sky to about 10 feet above their patio. It appeared as a bright luminous ball pulsating in brightness. While this was happening, one of the phones went "crazy" with static, and the lights dimmed, flickered and went out. Witnesses in a neighbouring flat also saw the light.

SUNSHINE COAST, 3.3.97, 7.30 pm

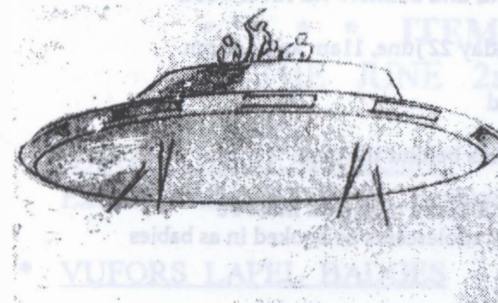
A security Officer and Fireman observed two coloured, stationary lights flashing green, blue, red and white, like a lighthouse, until 10.30 pm. He did not report his sighting, but next day media reports of sightings prompted him to contact us.

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Sightings continued

GREENBANK, 10.3.97, 9.10 pm

A single witness heard a hum which drowned out of his radio, and saw three lights, blue, white and mouve that seemed to be attached to an object and pulsating in brightness. It was first seen to the East at an angle of 30 degrees. It moved in a circle and rose as it did so till its angle of elevation was about 70 degrees. It then moved to the East and stopped at a distance for about 6 minutes, where it seemed to fade out and become visible again a number of times. The hum was not like that of an aircraft. When the hum was first heard, the witness seemed to be expecting it, and it sounded different than it did outside. He paused inside for about 30 seconds before going outside.



Rev. W. Gill's sketch of the 1959 Papua New Guinea sighting by about twenty witnesses.

WOODRIDGE, 20.3.97, 4.45 am

A single witness saw a solid white light with a pinkish tinge to the South, an estimated 1 km from the ground. No associated sound was heard. It moved West and then turned North.

COOLANGATTA, 21.3.97, 1.40 pm

A passenger in a Sydney to Brisbane flight was passing over Coolangatta on descent to Brisbane and saw a long thin dark grey cloud to the East and out to sea, estimated to be 1 km long. It then changed shape and divided into segments, becoming more hazy. A bright white light flashed twice from one end of the object. Except for this cloud, which could well have been far out to sea, the sky was clear. She called Coolangatta Airport and was told that there was no air traffic in that part of the sky at that time.

REDBANK PLAINS, 25.3.97, between 12-3 am

Two witnesses saw a wedge shaped triangular solid to the West with flickering lights on its back end. It made no noise, moved at a modest speed and was estimated to be the size of a car, and to be half a kilometer away. They also saw yellow flashing lights falling towards the ground during this three hour period.

ECHUCA (VIC), 2.5.96, 5 am

A witness was on a houseboat on the Murray River, about 15 km East of Echuca, and saw a bright white light which grew and became a rectangle. It hovered in the sky moving up and down, with red lights around its periphery. It changed to a crescent moon shape and points of light, like dust fell from it. It disappeared and appeared again as a sphere. The sighting lasted 5 to 7 minutes. That day, the witness heard of a sighting made from Deniliquin over ABC Radio, "Australia All Over".

FERNVALE, about 2.96

Eight friends were out camping at night when the area around them was lit up like daylight. They saw an oval shaped object about 100 feet above them, and as big as a small plane. There was no noise. The object was stationary for about 10 seconds, and then moved off along a nearby river with a blue light trailing. The group seemed to become more subdued by the experience, and they were not interested in reporting their sighting or finding out what they had seen.

INALA, 1.3.97, 10.15 pm

A single witness saw a large blue light moving slowly at treetop height, and then speed off. It was an estimated quarter mile away. The witness was shaken by the experience.

REDCLIFFE, 8.3.97, 7.45 pm

The children of a member of our Association were walking their dog on the beach and saw first, an orange light, and a half minute later a yellow light to the East, and moving to the South.

BETHANIA, 12.3.97

A woman was looking North and saw a blue light moving Northwards very fast at treetop height. The light was round, and looked like a marble at arm's length. Its brightness was constant, and no sound was heard. The sighting lasted about 2 seconds.

BRIBIE ISLAND, 18.3.97, 2.45 am

A woman awoke and saw a huge bright light about 2 km away. The shape of the light was round, and its colour pinkish with a strong glare. No associated sound was heard, and the sighting lasted about 40 seconds.

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Paul Norman spoke to the meeting giving an introduction to Vufors and describing some major Australian events. Dan Haylock talked of reports of local sightings and Wendy Wolfe talked of encounters by indigenous Australians. We also heard fascinating reports from a local witness of encounters from many years ago.

After talks and questions afternoon tea was served and discussions continued. We look forward to our next meeting.



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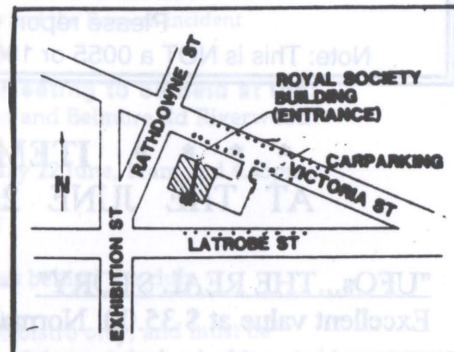
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SOCIETY HISTORY

1957

At this point perhaps it may be opportune to present a brief history of the Victorian U.F.O. Research Society.

The earliest U.F.O. group to form in Australia was the "Australian Flying Saucer Bureau" under the direction of Edgar Jarrold and Andrew Tomas, in the early 1950s. At the same time, Fred Stone inaugurated the "Australian Flying Saucer Research Society" in Adelaide. After approximately two years the Bureau closed down and was regarded as a branch of the "Australian Flying Saucer Research Society" under Andrew Tomas. This shortly broke from Adelaide and became the "Australian U.F.O. Investigation Centre" with Dr. Clifford at its head until 1958, when the Presidency passed to Dr. Lindtner.

The "Australian Flying Saucer Research Society (Victorian Branch)" was formed on the 17th February, 1957 as a branch of the "Australian Flying Saucer Research Society" and later that year was re-organised as the "Victorian Flying Saucer Research Society" with Mr. Peter E. Norris L.L.B. as President. In 1968 the name was again altered – this time to the "Victorian U.F.O. Research Society".

During this time, the Society has published various papers and is probably best known for its publication Australian Flying Saucer Review, curtailed in 1972 due to high costs and subsequently superseded by the Australian U.F.O. Bulletin and at one stage sponsored and produced a quarter-hour program on a Melbourne radio station under the heading of "The Truth Behind Flying Saucers".

In 1978, following the resignation of Mr. Peter Norris the current executive, Mrs. Judith Magee, Messrs. Paul Norman and Clive Yates, was placed in control, ensuring the continuing prosperity of V.U.F.O.R.S. The Society has held a dispassionate attitude on U.F.O.s, claiming it is a scientific problem deserving closer attention. It has also met regularly in general meetings and discussion nights and maintained the largest U.F.O. library in the southern hemisphere. Unfortunately, the loss of books, probably due to the high cost of postage has forced V.U.F.O.R.S. to discontinue this service to members.

Membership of this Society – which maintains the largest membership of any U.F.O. organisation in the Southern Hemisphere – is open to all who are genuinely interested in the subject.

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